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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

SEAN C. SEMPLE, *et al.*

Application No.: 09/122,588

Filed: July 23, 1998

For: LIPOSOMAL COMPOSITIONS FOR
THE DELIVERY OF NUCLEIC ACID
CATALYSTS

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: 1644

PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

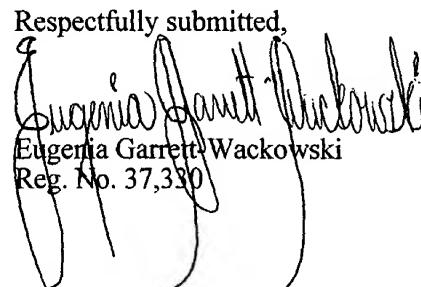
Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated August 25, 1998 for five months, from October 25, 1998 to March 25, 1999. An appropriate response to the Notice to File Missing Parts is enclosed herewith.

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